

Broadband

Fibre broadband coverage in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is above the national average and ahead of Government targets.

In East Cambridgeshire:

- >98% of premises can access partial/full fibre broadband with download speeds >24Mbps*
- >91% can access gigabit capable broadband with download speeds of at least 1000Mbps (1Gb)*

Gigabit-capable fibre broadband coverage is increasing at pace through direct government intervention and commercial deployment, meaning that as well as exceeding the Government's original target of 85% gigabit coverage by 2025 ahead of schedule, this area is on track to support the national goal of 99% gigabit coverage by 2032.

- Several commercial providers are active in East Cambridgeshire, including but not limited to: A number of commercial providers are active in East Cambridgeshire, including but not limited to: CityFibre, Virgin Media O2, Nexfibre, Gigaclear, County Broadband and Openreach.

➤ View our [active suppliers list](#) for more information

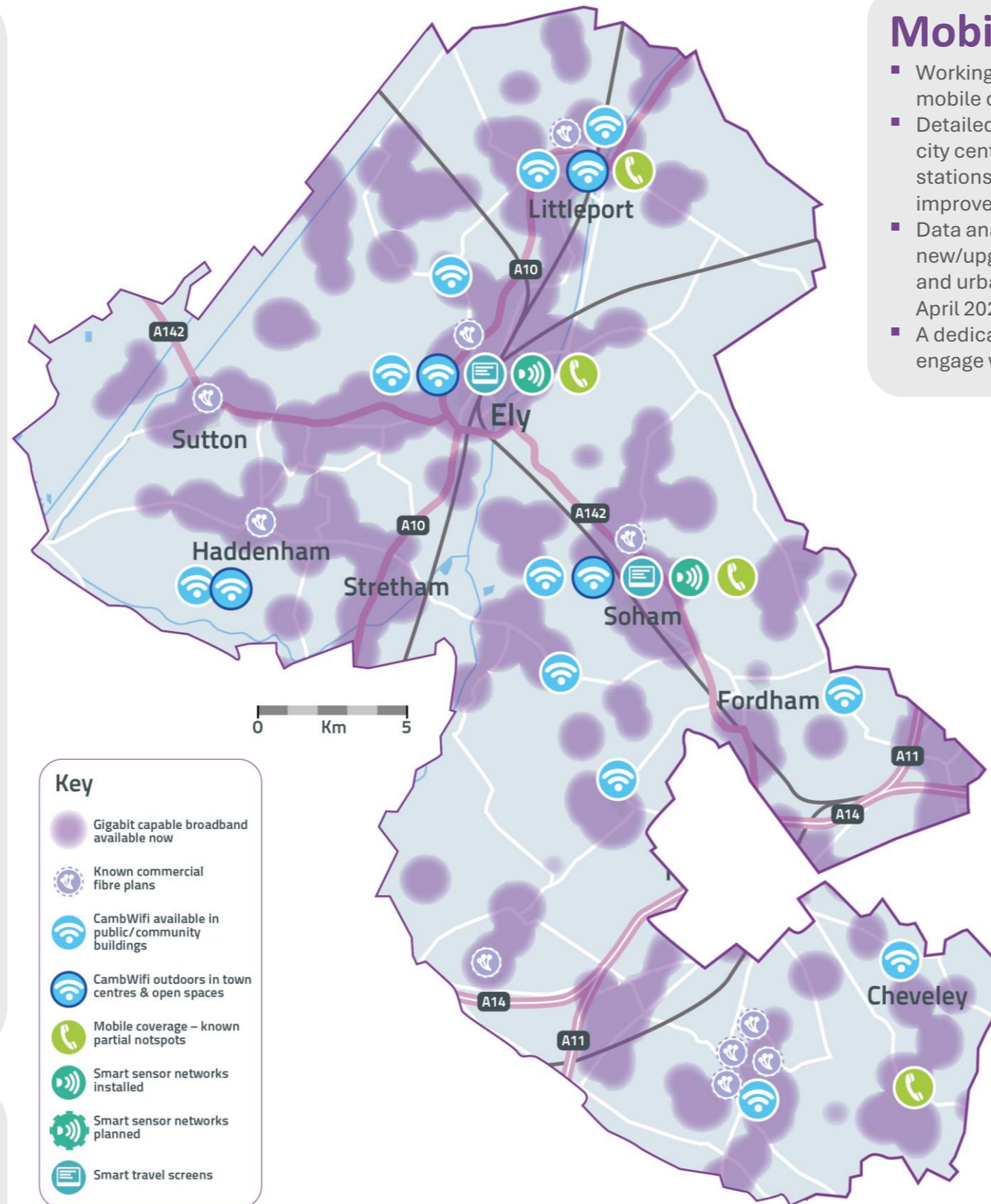
- [Project Gigabit](#), delivered by City Fibre, is combining government funding with commercial investment to extend gigabit capable fibre coverage to fill the gaps.

➤ View our [broadband postcode checker](#) and check what's available in your postcode.

Work is underway to improve broadband coverage and connection speeds for social housing, though our liaising with leading housing providers, UK Government and telecoms networks.

Public Access Wifi

- Free and secure public access Wifi (CambWifi) is widely available in public buildings, libraries, leisure centres, and council offices across East Cambridgeshire.
 - On-street CambWifi is also available in Ely city centre, and in Littleport and Soham town centres through the Connecting Cambridgeshire programme..
- View our [CambWifi map](#) to find out where else it's available.



Key

- Gigabit capable broadband available now
- Known commercial fibre plans
- CambWifi available in public/community buildings
- CambWifi outdoors in town centres & open spaces
- Mobile coverage – known partial notspots
- Smart sensor networks installed
- Smart sensor networks planned
- Smart travel screens

Business Support

- UK telecoms are changing. Use our free [Digital Switchover checklist, practical guide and webinar](#) (delivered by FarrPoint) to help businesses understand and prepare for the changes, including 2G and 3G switch-offs.

Mobile coverage

- Working with local authorities, leading businesses and network providers to improve mobile coverage and capacity
- Detailed coverage testing surveys (February 2025) of 'partial notspots' including Ely city centre, as well as market town centres, business parks, major roads and train stations around the county - the results are being analysed to identify areas for further improvements.
- Data analysis shows a slows down in the number of applications/notices for new/upgraded 4G/5G masts required for digital connectivity for rural areas, highways and urban networks. There has been 1 applications/notices covering the district from April 2023 up until April 2025 - which was approved.
- A dedicated digital connectivity planning officer has been appointed to proactively engage with network providers, planning teams and local communities.

Smart technology

- Real-time travel and [information screen](#) installed in Ely Library
- Pocket [SmartPanel app](#) offers real time bus and train information via smart phones.
- Sensors monitoring traffic flow in and around Soham station have been installed.
- [LoRaWAN](#) sensor network in place at Ely Cathedral allowing the collation of environmental and transport data.

Digital Inclusion

- Enabling local [Digital Hubs](#) via small grants for connectivity and devices - with hubs in 4 locations currently operating across East Cambs and a further 2 hubs to be funded through the newly launched [2026 Digital Hub Grant scheme](#).
- Co-delivering the [Cambridgeshire Digital Partnership](#) with Support Cambridgeshire to train and empower VCS groups.
- Launched a countywide [Digital Inclusion Directory](#) with key partners.
- Ongoing public awareness campaign for the [Digital Switchover](#).
- Embedding digital inclusion into district council service delivery.
- Promoting a [tech repurposing pathway](#) through a partnership with Sustainable Tech 4 Good.

Local plans

- The Cambridgeshire & Peterborough [Digital Connectivity Strategy \(2025-2029\)](#) highlights the importance of Digital Connectivity to support business and communities.
- Explore the CPCA's [Local Growth Plan – Get Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Growing](#).
- The [East Cambridgeshire Local Plan](#) sets out the vision, objectives, spatial strategy and planning policies of the district.